PATENT

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In r	e applica	tion of:	Robert J. MEDOFF							
Seri	ial No.:	10/073,82	26	Group No.:	3732					
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TRANSMISSION

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Only the date of filing (\S 1.6) will be the date used in a patent term adjustment calculation, although the date on any certificate of mailing or transmission under \S 1.8 continues to be taken into account in determining timeliness. See § 1.703(f). Consider "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" (§ 1.10) or facsimile transmission (§ 1.6(d)) for the reply to be accorded the earliest possible filing date for patent term adjustment calculations.

(mandatory)

EXTENSION OF TERM

NOTE: "Extension of Time in Patent Cases (Supplement Amendments) — If a timely and complete response have after a Non-Final Office Action, an extension of time is not required to permit filing and/or entry of a amendment after expiration of the shortened statutory period.							response has been filed or entry of an additional			
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NOTE:	See 37 C.F.R. §1.645 for extensions of time in interference proceedings, and 37 C.F.R. § 1.550(c) for extensions of time in reexamination proceedings.									
NOTE:	37 C.F.R. § 1.704(b)" an applicant shall be deemed to have failed to engage in reasonable efforts to conclude processing or examination of an application for the cumulative total of any periods of time in excess of three months that are taken to reply to any notice or action by the Office making any rejection, objection, argument, or other request, measuring such three-month period from the date the notice or action was mailed or given to the applicant, in which case the period of adjustment set forth in § 1.703 shall be reduced by the number of days, if any, beginning on the day after the date that is three months after the date of mailing or transmission of the Office communication notifying the applicant of the rejection, objection, argument, or other request and ending on the date the reply was filed. The period, or shortened statutory period, for reply that is set in the Office action or notice has no effect on the three-month period set forth in this paragraph."									
3.	The pro	oceeding	gs herein a	re for a patent appl	ication and	the provisions o	f37	C.F.R. 1.136 apply.		
				(complete (a) or (b), as appli	cable)				
	(a) Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 (fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(1)-(4)) for the total number of months checked below:									
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		two me	onths	\$	450.00		\$	225.00		
		three n	nonths	\$	1,020.00		\$	500.00		
		four m	onths	\$	1,590.00		\$	795.00		
		five m	onths	\$	2,160.00		\$:	1,080.00		
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OR

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(b)

Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this is a

conditional petition being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has

inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

FEE FOR CLAIMS

The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below: 4.

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"After final rejection or action (\S 1.113) amendments may be made canceling claims or complying with any requirement of form which has been made." 37 C.F.R. 1.116(a) (emphasis added).

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(d) Total additional fee for claims required \$ _____

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		A duplicate of this transmittal is attached.	

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6. \boxtimes If any additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Account No. $\underline{12-0425}$.

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Sir:

AMENDMENT

In response to the Official Communication of December 13, 2004, it is requested that the following amendments be made.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING (37 CFR 1.8a)

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